



## Environmental Champions 2000

At GSA, we understand that the true success behind Planet GSA comes from our employees who protect our environment every day. The employees featured here are our Environmental Champions. They are role models who understand the importance of making positive contributions for the environment. This publication highlights their successes for 1999. Our personal thanks goes to GSA's Environmental Champions who are saving money, protecting the environment and improving the quality of life in communities across our Nation. They are showing the American public that their government is working together to protect our planet for the future.

*Nominations for GSA Environmental Awards 2000 noted with an (\*) were forwarded to the White House Closing the Circle Awards program.*

### New England Region, Boston

- The Property Management Utility Procurement Team won the 1999 Federal Energy and Water Conservation Award. Through a consolidated utility contract, GSA and participating agencies in New England will save \$1.5 million.
- Sean Orgel, Marie Fouhey, Donald Fuccillo, Alan McCrensky and Roman Piaskoski won GSA's Environmental Awards 2000\* for partnering to install one of the nation's largest solar arrays at Boston's J.F. Williams Federal Building.
- Francis Prout, Sandra Robbins, Glenn Rotondo, Katherine Kneeland, John Kelly, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG), and the city of Boston received Vice President Gore's Hammer Award for saving thousands of dollars by consolidating USCG Guard property.
- Mary Ann Orlowski, Tom Anderson, and Kevin McGill won the Hartford Blooms Recognition Award for creating a pleasant environment by upgrading the entrance to the Abraham Ribicoff Federal Building in Hartford.
- Karen Curran and Roman Piaskoski were recognized by the Department of Energy's Federal Energy Management Program for energy program contributions.

### Northeast & Caribbean Region, New York

- Property Development was recognized by the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects for the historic restoration at the Federal Office Building at 20 Washington Place in Newark, NJ.
- The Region received the John Wesley Powell Prize for the rehabilitation and restoration of the U.S. Post Office & Courthouse in Old San Juan, PR.
- Brian Magden was recognized by the Department of Energy's Federal Energy Management Program for his contribution to the energy program.

### Mid-Atlantic Region, Philadelphia

- The Robert C. Byrd U.S. Courthouse in Charleston, WV, won *Buildings* magazine's 1999 new construction awards competition and also received the 1998 Best Development Project of the Year from Charleston Renaissance.
- Denise Brodsky and Vija Brewer-Long won GSA's Demolition Derby Award for Philadelphia's 'Green' Lease for the Environmental Protection Agency.
- Ken Shutika and Don Stiteler were recognized by the Department of Energy's Federal Energy Management Program for contributions to the energy program.

### Southeast Sunbelt Region, Atlanta

- Thomas Walker received the Building Owners and Managers Association's Civic Leadership Award for his contributions to Atlanta's progress and growth.
- Sandy Jones, Lloyd Johnson, and Lisa Oliver won Honorable Mention at GSA's Environmental Awards 2000 for *Greening the Southeast*, an outreach program designed to provide environmental awareness and education.
- Paul Misere and Gabe Steinberg received awards from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for mediation of 34 separate land condemnation cases, from a total of \$13 million down to \$10.8 million.
- Judy Cobb and Alisa Scally received Certificates of Appreciation for their contribution to the historic Mississippi River Commission Building, Vicksburg, MS.



- Mike Pope, Steve Smith, Buddy Hill, Helen Johnson, Linda Shaw, Freeman Randolph, Diane Brittian, Michelle Price, and Chris Long and Peter Schubert of the Environmental Protection Agency, won GSA's Demolition Derby Award for the new EPA campus in Research Triangle Park, NC.
- Tim Wisner was recognized by the Department of Energy's Federal Energy Management Program for his contribution to the energy program.

### Great Lakes Region, Chicago

- Douglas Fogel, Michael King, Bruce Munson, and Ricardo Rodgers won the 1999 Federal Energy and Water Conservation Award for steam conservation saving 8.5 billion Btu's and \$105,000 at Cleveland's A.J. Celebrezze Building.
- Patrick MacDonald, Laura Marble, Barbara Martin, and Hap Riever won the 1999 Federal Energy and Water Conservation award for saving over 5 million gallons of water and \$13,600 at the Theodore Levin Courthouse in Detroit.
- Donald Harrison won GSA's Environmental Awards 2000\* for a 21-percent increase in materials recycled resulting from education, streamlining, and purchasing a cardboard baler.
- The Property Management Division won Honorable Mention at GSA's Environmental Awards 2000 for nine energy conservation projects that saved the Region 10 percent of its total energy costs.
- Laurel Soltan won Honorable Mention at GSA's Environmental Awards 2000 for launching *Think Green*, the Region's quarterly electronic newsletter.
- Scott Benson won Honorable Mention at GSA's Environmental Awards 2000 for designing and distributing a booklet containing information on ethanol (E-85) dispensers in the Region.
- Roger Blummer, Greg Rose, and Richard Ward won GSA's Environmental Awards 2000\* for working with the Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Energy to recognize buildings with the ENERGY STAR label.
- Rick Heimlich and Lowell Walley won Honorable Mention in GSA's Demolition Derby nomination for the Clerk of Court Renovation in Indianapolis, IN.
- Roger Blummer was named Energy Manager of the Year by the Association of Energy Engineers, Illiana Chapter.

### Heartland Region, Kansas City, MO

- A regional group won the 1999 Federal Energy and Water Conservation Award for the partnership between GSA and the State of Iowa that reduced energy use 23 percent, saving \$100,900 per year at eight GSA buildings.
- Mark Ewing, Brian McDevitt, and Perry Boeschen won GSA's Environmental Awards 2000\* for Strategic Positioning—an integrated energy management solution to benefit from the changes in the electric industry brought about by deregulation.
- Ed Simon, George Gourse, William Reger, Kevin Santee, Madelynn Garffie, and Perry Boeschen won GSA's Environmental Awards 2000\* for forming an environmental team to lead sustainable design and development activities.
- Heartland Finance Center's Information Systems Management Division won GSA's Environmental Awards 2000\* for incorporating "green" considerations into numerous financial applications.
- Roger Larson won GSA's Environmental Awards 2000\* for using an agricultural by-product called Agriboard to build a guardhouse.
- John Ster, Joseph Marvil, Edson Parker, Albert Carr, and Larry Schroyer won GSA's Environmental Awards 2000\* for helping to eliminate toxic chromium coating on hand tools. GSA buys over \$150 million in alternative coatings.
- Samuel Lombardo, William McGowan, Thomas Thomas, John Allshouse, and Douglas Benton won GSA's Environmental Awards for 2000\* for building a low-cost, sustainable, energy-efficient records center in Kansas City, MO.
- William Reger, Madelynn Garffie, Douglas Benton, Marc Matthews (EPA), and Patricia Reitz (EPA) won GSA's Environmental Awards for 2000\* for producing a booklet on sustainable building design.



- The Public Buildings Service received an award for grounds maintenance at 1500 East Bannister Road, Kansas City, MO, from the Professional Grounds Management Society and *Landscape Management* magazine.
- The Energy Center of Expertise was recognized by the Geothermal Heat Pump Consortium for a partnership resulting from a Memorandum of Understanding. GSA is doing a \$200,000 geothermal project in Joplin, MO.
- The Energy Center of Expertise won the Office of Governmentwide Policy's Real Property Innovation Award for their Strategic Positioning for Energy Management and Deregulation.
- Denise Ryerkerk, Lisa Hancock, Louis Vetere and Tom Yochim won Honorable Mention in GSA's Demolition Derby for carpet replacement in St. Louis, MO.
- Naresh Khosla was recognized by the Department of Energy's Federal Energy Management Program for contributions to the energy program.

#### **Greater Southwest Region, Ft. Worth**

- The Region was presented with the Star of the Southwest Award by the U.S. Economic Development Administration in Austin, TX, for its continuing support of economic development programs.
- Vicki Moore and Perry Boeschon were recognized by the Department of Energy's Federal Energy Management Program for energy program contributions.

#### **Rocky Mountain Region, Denver**

- Bobby Givens, Dean Zaffree, Michael Gartland, Patricia Honley, Juan Trujillo, Crystal Thill, Carter Lee, and Francine Mortensen received Vice President Gore's Hammer Award for reinventing the personal property sales marketing process.
- Ron Jakaitis won the 1999 Federal Energy and Water Conservation award for building upgrades resulting in annual savings of \$130,000.
- Guy Lunay won the 1999 Federal Energy and Water Conservation Award for saving 27.5 billion Btu's and \$540,000 by reducing energy use in four buildings with 1.6 million square feet of space in downtown Denver.

#### **Pacific Rim Region, San Francisco**

- A regional group won the 1999 Federal Energy and Water Conservation Award for saving \$168,000 per year on a refinancing program with Bonneville Power and for saving water and \$30,000 a year on an irrigation project.
- The 450 Golden Gate BACnet Demonstration Project won the 1999 Federal Energy and Water Conservation Award.
- Steven Schwartz and Michael Larson received GSA's Environmental Awards 2000\* for their "green" landscaping project at the Federal Building/U.S. Courthouse, Phoenix, AZ. The project saved water and reduced maintenance.
- James Gray, Cosmo Barbardo and John Habein received Honorable Mention at GSA's Environmental Awards 2000. By donating \$9M in property to schools in Sacramento, they kept 330 tons from landfills and saved \$9,000 in hauling costs.
- Steve Clark and Laura Thomas were recognized by the Environmental Protection Agency for promoting the environment in federal facilities. Mark Reiss was recognized for expanding availability of "green products" in the Access store.
- The Region's Public Buildings Service Project Team received the GAO Cable Car Award for assisting with workplace improvement in GAO's consolidation.
- James Gray, Cosmo Barbardo, and John Habein won Honorable Mention in GSA's Demolition Derby for diverting waste from the landfill by donating courtroom furnishings to schools.
- Roston Manoukian and Joe Melanson were recognized by the Department of Energy's Federal Energy Management Program for energy program contributions.

#### **Northwest Pacific Region, Auburn, WA**

- Terry Peirce was recognized by the Department of Energy's Federal Energy Management Program for his contributions to the energy program.
- Ryan Doerfler received Planet GSA Special Recognition for totally revamping the Planet GSA Website and for supporting and promoting protecting the environment at events nationwide.



### National Capital Region, Washington, DC

- The Maintenance and Energy Branch won GSA's Environmental Awards 2000\* for partnering with Pepco on a heating system decentralization project at the Suitland Federal Center, saving \$10 million over 20 years.
- The Region received a plaque from Prince George's County, MD for helping to preserve the historic Suitland House, which has been determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places based on its architectural style.
- Bill Sayre was recognized by the Department of Energy's Federal Energy Management Program for his contributions to the energy program.

### Central Office

- The PBS, Office of Environmental Business Strategies NEPA Call-In Website was awarded the "Web Feet Seal of Approval" and is now included in *Web Feet: The Internet Traveler's Desk Reference*, published by Rock Hill Press.
- GSA's Federal Technology Service received a 1999 Excellence in Telework Award from the International Telework Association and Council for promoting telework at the WillowWood facility.
- Bruce Barrow, Bruce Brignull, Harold Green, Colette McKenna, Barbara Norsworthy, Sybille Selmann, Michael Toomey, Stanley Choffrey, Angela Chambers, Trudy Hawkins, Terry Hobson, Phillip Mellinger, and Joseph Sharkey received Vice President Gore's Hammer Award for the paperless bid process used in the FTS2001 acquisition.

- Patricia Finch was named the 1999 GSA Federal Supply Service National Technical and Engineering Professional of the Year for developing three major new schedules including Environmental Advisory Services, in plain English.
- Robert Goulet received the 1999 GSA Person of the Year Award from the President of the Users and Screeners Association, a group that works to make Federal excess personal property the first source of supply.
- The FSS Property Management Division won the Miles Romney Achievement Award for Innovation in Personal Property Management for its Energy Asset Disposal System, an internal screening system for the Department of Energy.
- Peggy Lowndes received the President's Award for 1999 from the National Association of State Agencies for Surplus Property for her long-term support of the program to make surplus Federal personal property available for reuse.
- Mike Ziskind, Wendell Garner, and Lindsey Lee were recognized by the Department of Energy's Federal Energy Management Program for their contributions to the energy program.



## Planet GSA Award Winners

### Deputy Administrator's Giraffe Award Winners

Jim Devir – Region 1  
Horace Morancie – Region 2  
John Thompson – Region 3  
Sandy Jones – Region 4  
Marianne Kaiser – Region 5  
Bond Faulwell – Region 6  
Margaret Earnest – Region 7  
Gary Alexander – Region 7  
Loretta Vigil – Region 8  
Steve Clark – Region 9  
Todd Posey – Region 10  
Stanley Ismart – National Capital Region  
Tom Daily – FSS, Central Office  
Larry Frisbee – FSS, Central Office  
Debra Yap – PBS, Central Office  
Mark Ewing – PBS, Kansas City

### Planet GSA Award Winners

*All are GSA employees unless otherwise noted*

#### Region 1

John Buckley  
Edward Cochran  
Karen Curran  
Marie Fouhey  
James Kelliher  
Roman Piaskoski  
Michael Stec  
Michael Strobel  
Marilyn Taylor  
Robert Beane, Environmental Protection  
Agency  
Paul King, Department of Energy  
Donald Porteous, Environmental  
Protection Agency

#### Region 2

Richard Bouchard  
Donald DelCamp  
Elzena Huffman-Ward  
Pamela Lachance  
Joan LaPierre  
Ester LaRoche  
Brian Magden  
Madga Marcano  
Renee Miscione  
Anthony Ng  
Ronald Pomerance  
Alexandra Sabbers  
John Scorgia  
June Archibald, Department of  
Education, U.S. Virgin Islands  
Barry Dimson, Barry Dimson, Inc  
Wendy Fitzwilliam, Miss Universe 1998  
The Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

Richard Head, FedCap Manager  
Trudy Mason, EcoSmart HealthyProperties  
Mark Naef, Daystar Recycling Corporation  
Donna Richards-Morancie, Islands of  
Safety, Brooklyn  
Amy Schoch - Buy Recycled Alliance of  
New York - BRANY  
John Stanberry - Foundation for  
Educational Innovation, DC Link and Learn  
Michael Youdelman, University of New  
York at Stony Brook

#### Region 3

Sharon Booker

#### Region 4

Robert Colvin  
Charles Evans  
Jean Hall  
Stan Hall  
Flo Hartley  
David Roberson  
Darwin Simmons  
Floria Standifer  
Rod Stilwell  
David Thomas  
Renae Waldkirch  
Timothy Wisner  
Rich Combs, Department of Energy  
Michael Fanning, US Postal Service  
Mike Pope, Environmental Protection  
Agency  
Jim Powell, Department of Energy

#### Region 5

Roger Blummer  
Scott Benson  
Jerry Cooper  
Donald Harrison  
Dennis Watkins  
Green Davis, US Postal Service  
Patrick Graham, Federal Railroad  
Administration  
Charles Pauser, Veterans Administration  
Vern Emerson, Veterans Administration  
James Andrzejewski, Social Security  
Administration  
Richard Lawrence, Environmental  
Protection Agency  
Doris Ellis, Environmental Protection  
Agency  
Richard Hoffman, Environmental  
Protection Agency  
Mike Norris, US Air Force  
David Thayer, US Air Force  
Gregory Wylke, US Air Force  
Sharon Gill, Department of Energy

#### Region 6

Madelynn Garffie  
Bill Reger  
Kevin Santee  
Ed Simon

#### Region 7

Jamie Hernandez  
George Hozendorf  
John Poulard  
Mark Trimarchi  
Dan Deaton, Department of Energy

#### Region 8

Mike Steffan

#### Region 9

Gerald (Joe) Melanson

#### Region 10

Ryan Doerfler  
Patricia Pierson

#### National Capital Region

Lois Bennett  
Patrick Dawson  
Albert Greene  
Kelly Holland  
Tony Hugueley  
Mike Jones  
Jennifer Jenkins  
Janet Kenoyer  
Sylvia McMillan  
Audrey Martin  
Roy Peddicord  
Steve Richard  
Mark Sajbel  
John L. Smith  
Phillip Wagner  
Steve White

#### Central Office

Andy Black  
Richard Casazza  
Joseph Copeland  
Nicholas Economou  
Barbara Ellison  
Donna Emery  
Charles Gallagher  
Wendell Garner  
Sevy Germain  
Peter Glaws  
Jerry Hefner  
Don Horn  
Debby Pafel  
Floyd Parks  
Constance Ramirez  
Mary Rudbeck  
Lee Salviski  
Glenn Siegal  
Rosia Smith  
Kim Snyder  
Doris Thomas  
Colin Wagner  
Rob Wexler  
Mike Ziskind